BY MESSRS. A. SRIKANTAPPA (Dodballapur Municipality) and VEERE GOWDA and HANUME GOWDA (Dodballapur Taluk).—

Q.—49. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) When was the practice of treating patients bitten by rabid dogs brought into effect in the Victoria Hospital, Bangalore ?

(*b*) The number of patients treated from that time.

(*c*) The number of patients cured.

(*d*) Is there any practice of keeping such persons coming from the moffusil as in-patients in the Hospital ?

(*e*) If not, how can poor people going over singly with no kind of help, undergo the treatment ?

(*f*) How many days will the treatment continue ?

(*g*) Is there any difference between the treatment here and that given at Coonoor ?

(*h*) Has a specialist been appointed for this purpose at the Victoria Hospital ?

(*i*) Can a patient treated at Bangalore be immune from the disease ?

CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.—

A.—49. (*a*) In April 1923.

(*b*) 751 up to 20th May 1926.

(*c*) All except two.

(*d*) Not ordinarily, as this is unnecessary. In exceptional cases, the patient is admitted into the cell wards.

(*e*) Poor patients are given a maintenance allowance of annas 6 a day.

(*f*) 14 days.

(*g*) Government are not aware of any difference.

(*h*) The Medical Officer who attends to this work is a specialist with European training though he has not been specially appointed for this work.

(*i*) The answer is in the affirmative.

BY MR. M. P. SOMASEKHARA RAO (Bangalore City Municipality).—

Q.—50. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) The loss which is being sustained by the State in connection with the Bhadravati Iron Works every year since the factories began to work.

(*b*) Whether the Government have consulted competent experts as to the advisability of closing down the works temporarily and if so, what their opinion is ?

(*c*) Whether the Government have ascertained the extent of loss that would be caused if the works were to be temporarily closed down for a few years and if so, what the exact nature and the extent of such loss will be.

CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.—

A.—50. (*a*) The information is given below :—

	Rs.
1922-23	3,00,692.
1923-24	4,66,134.
1924-25	6,62,805.
1925-26 (for the first half year) ..	2,93,213.

(*b*) The management are in close touch with Messrs. Perin and Marshall, Consulting Engineers of New York. The works have been showing steady progress and are in no worse position than similar concerns elsewhere. During the current half year, the receipts almost cover the operation expenses. The Government cannot think of temporarily closing down the works in such circumstances.

(*c*) Please see answer to (*b*). If the works are temporarily closed down, the steady development of the industry will be interrupted, the plant will deteriorate, lying idle, the benefit of the training given to the staff and the market developed so far will be lost and it will involve expenditure of considerable sums of money and possibly initial losses again, to re-start the operations, later on.

Supplementary Questions.

Mr. B. Srinivasa Iyengar.—

As per statement given, the losses for the first half of 1925-26 amount to Rs. 2,93,213. In giving this figure, have the Government taken into account the interest which the State is actually paying on 1,85,000 at the rate of 7 per cent?

Chief Secretary.—

Interest is not included.

Mr. Srinivasa Iyengar.—

What will be the loss for 1925-26 if interest charges are also included ?

Chief Secretary.—

I want notice.

Mr. Srinivasa Iyengar.—

Will the Government be pleased to state whether the loss of 13 lakhs has been included in the amount mentioned above?

Chief Secretary.—

Interest is not included in the capital invested in commercial concerns.

Mr. Srinivasa Iyengar.—

Is it the case even when the capital is borrowed as in the present case ?

Chief Secretary.—

I can only say that it is not included in the losses mentioned.

BY. MR. GURUSWAMI GOWDA (Hoskote Taluk).—

Q.—51. Will the Government be pleased to give information on the following:—

(*a*) The amount of loan granted to the Jodidars of Nandagudi Family on the mortgage of their Jodi villages.

(*b*) The amount outstanding when the mortgaged villages were brought under Government management.

(*c*) The balance of the loan amount that remained unpaid after adjusting the income of these villages up to the end of the year 1925-26.

(*d*) Have the Government ordered the grant of any concession in the matter of the balance of the loan amount due from Inamdars?

(*e*) If so, what is the amount in respect of which such concession is shown?

(*f*) The reason for the grant of such concession.

(*g*) Has any recommendation been made for the remission of arrears due from the Jodidars in respect of the lands in their khate since the villages were taken under the management of Government ?

(*h*) If so, are there no means for the recovery of the amount from the Jodidars ?